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## Title : High-Availability Cluster Virtual Server System

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Attached to this facsimile communication cover sheet is Amendment in Reply to Office Action, faxed this 4<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2004, to the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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exclusive resources one or more file systems, wherein an exclusive resource of a virtual server can be seen by the virtual server and not by another virtual server." For reasons discussed above, neither Gamache nor Herbert discloses the virtual servers of claims 24 and 34. For at least this reason, claims 24 and 34 are in condition for allowance.

Claim 38 stands rejected under Section 103(a) as being unpatentable over Gamache in view of Herbert. Claim 38 recites that "each virtual server having as exclusive resources . . . one or more file systems, . . . , wherein an exclusive resource of a virtual server can be seen by the virtual server and not by another virtual server." For reasons discussed above, neither Gamache nor Herbert discloses such a virtual server. For at least this reason, claim 38 is in condition for allowance.

The applicant respectfully requests that all pending claims be allowed. Please apply the \$110 one-month extension fee, as well as any other charges or credits to deposit account 06-1050.

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